



## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF  
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Mr. Alexander Rony  
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Re: FOIA Appeal EPA-HQ-2018-000851 (FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2017-011043)

Dear Mr. Rony:

On October 20, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) appeal with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”). You appealed the March 6, 2018 decision of Margaret Geradin, Office of Emergency Management. Your request sought “the Risk Management Plan for the Arkema chemical facility in Crosby, TX,” as more fully described in your request.

EPA is in the process of reviewing FOIA appeals from its backlog. Please notify me within thirty working days from receipt of this letter if you are still interested in proceeding with this FOIA appeal. I can be contacted by email at schwarz.matthew@epa.gov, by phone at (202) 564-5654, or by mail at the following address: Matthew Schwarz, Office of General Counsel, (Mail Code 2377A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington D.C. 20460. Please reference appeal number EPA-HQ-2018-000851 in any correspondence. If EPA does not receive a response within the designated time, we will consider your appeal voluntarily withdrawn and close the file.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew D. Schwarz".

Matthew D. Schwarz  
Attorney-Advisor  
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